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Sent: 10/17/2022 4:04:36 AM
To: Sixkiller, Casey [Sixkiller.Casey@epa.gov]
CC: Young, Margo [Young.Margo@epa.gov]; Pirzadeh, Michelle [Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Regional Haze SIP Prioritization and Needed EPA Action
Attachments: image001.png; NPCAetalLtrtoGoffman100722Final.pdf

Hi Casey,

Any response to this Regional Haze letter will be lead by HQ. We may be asked to contribute or be part of that but nothing for now.

Thanks,

Krishna

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On Oct 16, 2022, at 12:36 PM, Sixkiller, Casey <Sixkiller.Casey@epa.gov> wrote:

Krishna — I'm attempting to dig out of my email and saw this note and then the following blurb from the lead region report and am wondering if there is anything more I should know or need to be involved in. Please advise at your convenience,

Casey

Region 1 – Office of Air and Radiation (OAR)

Lead Region Coordinator: Leiran Biton Recent Highlights

- In September, in coordination with OAR, and the Office of Public Affairs, several Regions held community meetings to address risk from ethylene oxide (EtO) emissions from commercial sterilizer facilities. These individual community meetings follow a national public webinar EPA held on August 10 regarding the outreach related to EtO risk from commercial sterilizers. EPA will hold additional community outreach meetings over the coming months.
- OAR's Sub-Leads on Eastern and Western Regional Haze (Regions 4 and 8, respectively) worked with the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) to compile a database of key sources contributing to regional haze. This database will be used to assist in the evaluation of state implementation plans for the Regional Haze second planning period.
- OAQPS and Regions held a Regional Haze Mini-Summit on September 22 to identify cross cutting issues and ensure national consistency in addressing these issues for the SIPs for the second implementation planning period for regional haze.

Casey Sixkiller

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Subject: Regional Haze SIP Prioritization and Needed EPA Action

Dear Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator Goffman:

National Parks Conservation Association, Sierra Club and Earthjustice submit the attached to EPA urging the agency to swiftly act to ensure compliance with the Clean Air Act's regional haze program. To this end, the attached letter identifies the sources and states with high Class I area contributions of visibility impairing pollution with the most opportunity for emission reductions to assure reasonable progress. We recommend each EPA region issue a Federal Implementation Plan to replace deficient regional haze State Implementation Plans.

EPA action is necessary to realize the objectives of the regional haze program and correct the many egregious SIP deficiencies.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss the contents of the letter with you, your team and EPA regions.

Sincerely,

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